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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Jordan Bureau--August 1985

I. GENERAL

The whirlwind visits of Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs Richard Murphy on 13-15 August, and again on 17-18 August after stops in Tel Aviv and Cairo, kept all in the embassy hopping. The continuing high level of interest in all permutations of the Mideast "peace process," particularly as concerns Jordan and the Palestinians, was again brought to the fore.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. The Iraqi Air Force claimed it "completely destroyed" Iran's oil terminal on Khark Island during a 15 August raid. The claim was called into question by the Iraqis themselves when they followed up with two subsequent bombing attacks which, according to Baghdad's Voice of the Masses radio, were meant to obstruct efforts to repair the damage caused by the first raid.

2. According to the Beirut newspaper AL-SHARQ, cited by Radio Monte Carlo, the Syrian, Iranian and Libyan foreign ministers discussed possible purchases of nuclear weapons "to confront the Israeli nuclear threat." This came in the joint statement issued after the 24-25 August meetings in Damascus.

3. Information copies of the bureau's list of agreed translations of terminology used in Iraqi military communiques were pouched to NEAD, Gulf and London Bureaus.

B. Special Services

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1. Bureau Technician [redacted] replaced the printer on the ponyline to the embassy Political Section with a modified one to handle five-ply paper to meet the greater demands during Secretary Murphy's visit. The extra copies of incoming material were given to the Murphy delegation for briefing packages.

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C. Technical

Bureau received one IBM PC system, with related software and two Epson printers. The system was set up, tested and adjusted by [redacted] Bureau will be borrowing another IBM system from an AID officer so we will have the requisite number for the computer training by CRW contractor scheduled to begin on 15 September.

III. ADMINISTRATION

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Personnel

Electronic Technician [redacted] received a PSI effective 4 August, to FBN 9/10.

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Chief, Jordan Bureau

Att: Monthly Production Report

JORDAN BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR AUGUST 1985

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH: 156,750
 TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH: 35,850
 TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH: 632

II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	BROAD-	PRESS	PUBLI-
	CASTS	AGENCIES	CATIONS
(MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	6320	13470	73

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CLANDESTINE (IRAN AND IRAQ)			
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI KURDISTAN IN			
ARABIC	0		
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI REVOLUTION IN			
ARABIC	0		
JAHRAIN			
MANAMA WAKH IN			
ARABIC	0		
FRANCE			
PARIS RADIO MONTE CARLO IN			
ARABIC	3250		
PARIS AL-MUSTAQBAL IN			
ARABIC	230		
PARIS AL-WATAN AL-'ARABI IN			
ARABIC	3340		
IRAQ			
BAGHDAD VOICE OF THE MASSES IN			
ARABIC	18660		
BAGHDAD VOICE OF PLO IN			
ARABIC	11300		
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE IN			
ARABIC	1530		
BAGHDAD INA IN			
ARABIC	17750		
BAGHDAD INA IN			
ENGLISH	140		
BAGHDAD AL-JUHHURIYAH IN			
ARABIC	0		
BAGHDAD AL-THAWRAH IN			
ARABIC	0		
ISRAEL			
JERUSALEM IN			
ARABIC TO THE ARAB WORLD	2580		
JERUSALEM AL-FAJR IN			
ARABIC	1340		

ARABIC	
JERUSALEM AL-QUDS IN ARABIC	660
JERUSALEM AL-SHA'B IN ARABIC	380
JERUSALEM AL-TALI'AH IN ARABIC	0
JORDAN	
AMMAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	12120
AMMAN TELEVISION SERVICE IN ARABIC	4760
AMMAN TELEVISION SERVICE IN ENGLISH	200
AMMAN PETRA-JNA IN ARABIC	1400
AMMAN AL-BUSTUR IN ARABIC	2560
AMMAN AKHBAR AL-USDU' IN ARABIC	0
AMMAN AL-RA'Y IN ARABIC	4560
AMMAN THE JERUSALEM STAR IN ENGLISH	480
AMMAN JORDAN TIMES IN ENGLISH	3090
AMMAN SANT AL-SHA' B IN ARABIC	1360
LEBANON	
MARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN ARABIC	2190
SUDAN	
KHARTOUM SUNA IN ARABIC	12410
KHARTOUM SUNA IN ENGLISH	13470
SYRIA	
DAMASCUS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	25210
DAMASCUS TELEVISION SERVICE IN ARABIC	3870
DAMASCUS SANA IN ARABIC	7640